



News and information about your public-owned transportation system, published in this newspaper as a community service from the Southern California Rapid Transit District.

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Safety is big business with RTD, so much so that men and dollars work continually to insure your riding safety. Every piece of equipment is checked and re-checked, operators are examined at regular intervals, safety classes are held, driver courtesy awards are given, all to make your trip as safe as humanly possible.

RTD has led the industry in safe operation — making bus riding in Los Angeles and surrounding areas safer than staying home.

There is a segment of our society known as the senior citizens. These wonderful folks are enjoying what someone has named "The Golden Years." RTD is keenly interested in providing all senior citizens with a better working knowledge of the system. If old Artie Dee can offer a suggestion, provide a map or answer a question, send me a note. There is one good way to look at age: Every time you are one year older, so is everyone else.

More and more folks are buying Monthly Passes, so many in fact it is really making the RTD ticket-selling people hump. Why don't you look into it? I haven't seen a bargain like this since Muntz made TV's.

Q. How can I get by bus from Manhattan Beach to the South Bay Shopping Center?
—Mrs. J. H. S.

A. Catch the 51 Line to Hermosa Beach and change to the 101 Pier Line at Pier Avenue and Hermosa Avenue. I'll send you a timetable and a map.

Q. What bus can I take to North Torrance Shopping Center from 6th Street and Hermosa Avenue in Hermosa Beach?
—M. C. A.

A. I am not sure just which line goes the closest—the 102 or 104. From the map I'm using, the 102 looks the best. From Hermosa Beach, catch the 51 Line south to Hermosa and Pier Avenue and change to the 102.

Q. Is there a bus running from Lomita to Torrance? I live in South Lomita on the Hill.
—Mrs. R. L.

A. I don't know exactly what hill you live on, but there is a bus you can take on Arlington Avenue to Torrance. Call Greyhound at 320-5261 for the information.

Q. We live in Lomita Pines and we would like bus schedules for lines running to San Pedro, Long Beach and Los Angeles.
—Mrs. F. K.

A. The San Pedro Transit Lines run a bus on Western Avenue that will take you to San Pedro with connections via RTD 37 Line to Los Angeles and RTD 66 Line to Long Beach.

Q. How do I get from Western Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway to CBS Studios and Farmers Market?
—I. J.

A. Catch Greyhound on Pacific Coast Highway and ride to Anaheim and Avalon in Wilmington; change to the RTD 37 Line to the New Los Angeles Station. Walk one block east on Los Angeles Street and catch the RTD 3 Line to Farmers Market and CBS. This is quite a trip but worth all the effort.

Send your questions to Transportation Editor, Artie Dee, care of this newspaper. All questions will be answered in the column or by mail. A system map will be sent to each person submitting a question or call 747-4455 for detailed information.

Strip Area Population Now 12,618

Population of the "Shoestring Strip" area east of Torrance is estimated at 12,618 as of last April 1, the Los Angeles Planning Department has announced.

Total population of the South Los Angeles area, including Harbor City, Wilmington, and San Pedro, was estimated at 140,268, the department said.

Population of the city of Los Angeles as of April 1 was placed at 2,827,585.

Births

SOUTH BAY HOSPITAL.
ELLIOTT — Mr. and Mrs. Gene, 2905 Sonoma St., a girl, Tamara Jean, Oct. 21.
JEFFERS — Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie, 2111 W. 245th St., Lomita, a boy, Gordon Alvin, Oct. 21.
CLEVELAND — Mr. and Mrs. James, 917 Felbar Ave., a boy, James Erik, Oct. 22.
FLORENCE — Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Compton, a boy, Robert William, Oct. 21.
HARPER — Mr. and Mrs. William, 613 Sartori Ave., a girl, Stephanie Ann, Oct. 22.
BOWEN — Mr. and Mrs. Denis, Manhattan Beach, a girl, Jill Kathleen, Oct. 24.
MITCHELL — Mr. and Mrs. Jim, 1802 Korblum Ave., a girl, Denise Lynn, Oct. 24.
RUNDLETT — Mr. and Mrs. Charles, Cypress, a girl, Dora Louise, Oct. 25.
McDERMOTT — Mr. and Mrs. John, Hawthorne, a girl, Diane Michelle, Oct. 26.
PARIS — Mr. and Mrs. Patrick, 1574 W. 227th St., a boy, Steven Patrick, Oct. 26.

State Pays \$435,000 in Insurance

Capitol News Service
SACRAMENTO — Unemployment insurance payments in California for the month of October totaled \$26,509,807, Peter Weinberger, director of the state Department of Employment, announced today.

The October payments represented a decrease of \$951,958 from the amount paid out in September, Weinberger said.

October payments through the Torrance office of the department totaled \$435,879.

Harbor City Physician Volunteers in Vietnam

Robert A. Thill, M. D., of Harbor City, is in South Vietnam for two months, serving the civilian population with the American Medical Association Volunteer Physicians for Vietnam.

Stating his reasons for volunteering, Dr. Thill said: "Being a physician is a privilege which one must continually earn. I feel that I have a duty to perform in Vietnam."

AMA Volunteer Physicians for Vietnam is administered by the American Medical Association, under contract, for the United States Agency for International Development.

About 50,000 Vietnamese civilians are treated in hospitals annually for war-related injuries. Major diseases of South Vietnam include tuberculosis, typhoid, cholera, plague, intestinal parasitism, and infectious diarrheas among children. Primarily due to the high disease incidence, the life expectancy of the Vietnamese is 50 years.

Of the 25.8 million living veterans, 1.8 million receive compensation for service-connected disabilities and 1.18 million receive pension payments for non-service-connected disabilities.

35 surgeons, orthopedic surgeons, general practitioners and internists. Other special-ists are needed from time to time. Particularly needed are general time.

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